



Illinois Crop Progress and Condition

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There were 5.2 days suitable for field work during the week ending September 24, 2023. Statewide, the average temperature was 68.3 degrees, 5.8 degrees above normal. Precipitation averaged 0.81 inches, 0.02 inches above normal. Topsoil moisture supply was rated 15 percent very short, 31 percent short, 50 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supply was rated 13 percent very short, 37 percent short, 49 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Corn dented reached 97 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 91 percent. Corn mature reached 81 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 61 percent. Corn harvested reached 10 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 13 percent. Corn condition was rated 4 percent very poor, 9 percent poor, 25 percent fair, 55 percent good, and 7 percent excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves reached 85 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 55 percent. Soybeans harvested reached 6 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 7 percent. Soybean condition was rated 4 percent very poor, 9 percent poor, 27 percent fair, 52 percent good, and 8 percent excellent. Wheat planted reached 10 percent, compared to the 5-year average of 2 percent.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Supply: Week Ending September 24, 2023

State	Days Suitable for Fieldwork	Topsoil Moisture Supply				Subsoil Moisture Supply			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
		(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Illinois	5.2	15	31	50	4	13	37	49	1

Crop Progress – Illinois

Item	Week ending			2018-2022 Average
	September 24, 2023	September 17, 2023	September 24, 2022	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn dented	97	94	80	91
Corn mature	81	70	44	61
Corn harvested	10	6	5	13
Soybeans dropping leaves	85	66	60	55
Soybeans harvested	6	1	2	7
Winter wheat planted	10	8	1	2
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting	94	93	85	94

Corn Condition – Illinois

Date	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
September 24, 2023	4	9	25	55	7
September 17, 2023	9	13	23	50	5
September 24, 2022	5	6	20	53	16

Soybeans Condition – Illinois

Date	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
September 24, 2023	4	9	27	52	8
September 17, 2023	8	13	25	47	7
September 24, 2022	5	6	23	51	15

Pasture Condition – Illinois

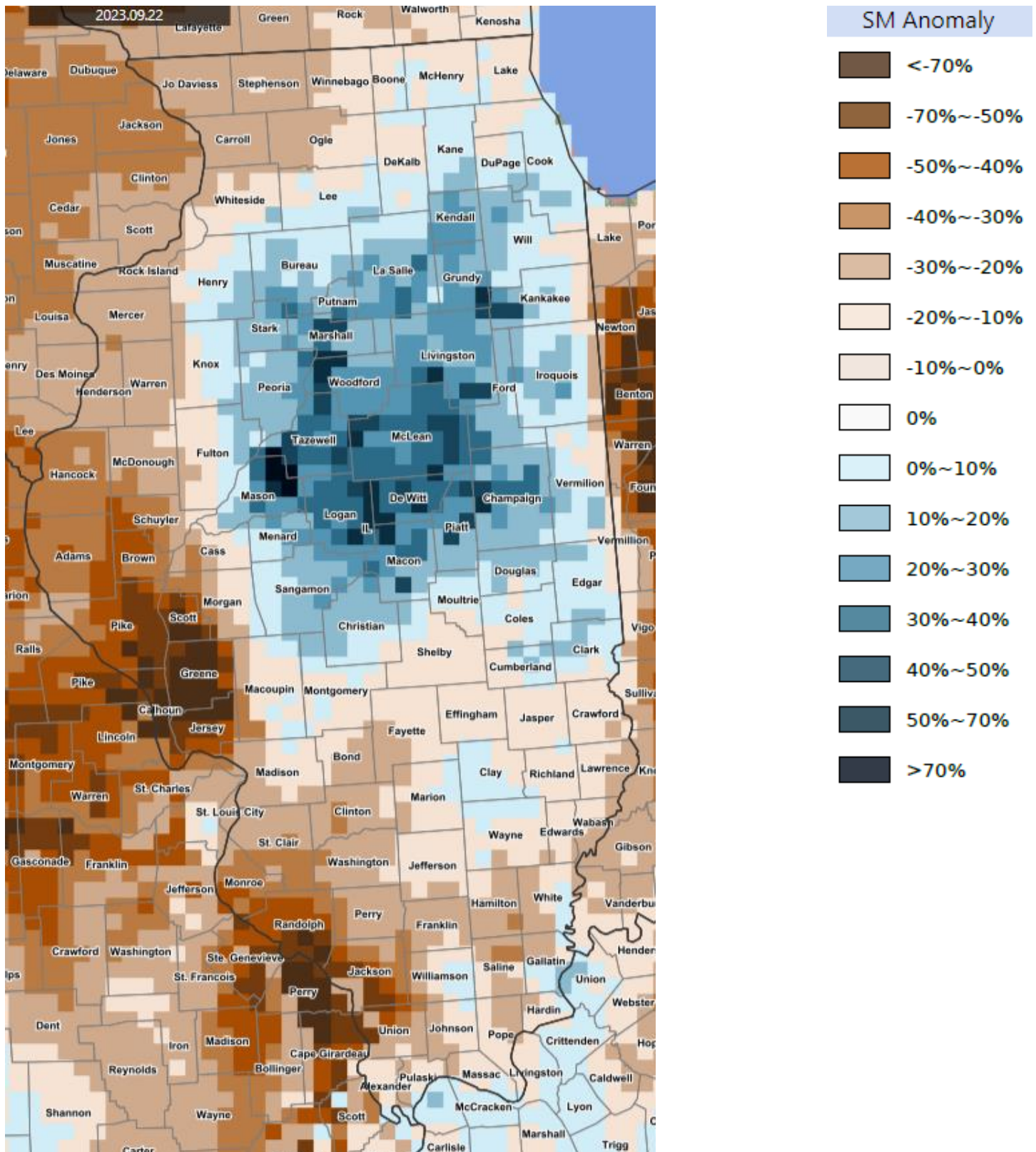
Date	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
September 24, 2023	9	26	41	22	2
September 17, 2023	15	26	36	22	1
September 24, 2022	6	13	36	41	4

Weather Information: Week Ending September 24, 2023

District and State	Temperature		Precipitation		Growing Degree Days	
	Average	Departure from Normal	Total	Departure from Normal	Since May 1	Departure from Normal
	(degrees - F)	(degrees - F)	(inches)	(inches)		
Northwest	67.4	7.9	0.82	0.03	2,816	81
Northeast	65.8	5.7	1.01	0.24	2,718	6
West	69.5	7.3	0.36	-0.43	3,024	27
Central	67.9	5.9	2.22	1.45	2,943	13
East	66.5	4.7	1.42	0.80	2,893	8
West Southwest	69.9	6.5	0.42	-0.36	3,128	13
East Southeast	68.6	4.6	0.52	-0.25	3,136	-10
Southwest	69.5	4.7	0.18	-0.83	3,269	0
Southeast	69.3	3.9	0.31	-0.60	3,335	14
Illinois	68.3	5.8	0.81	0.02	3,017	18

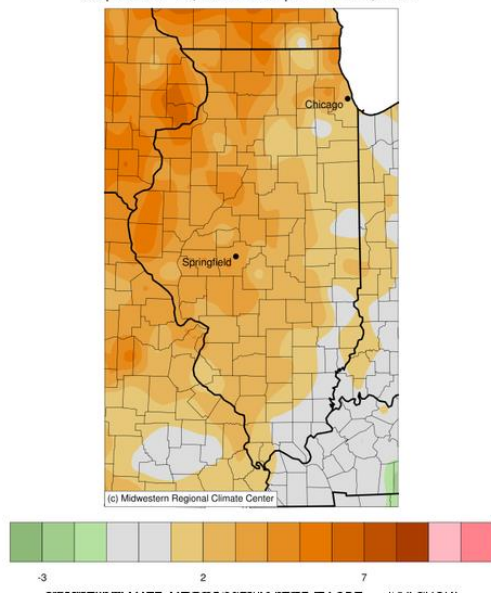
Weather data provided by the Midwestern Regional Climate Center: <http://mrcc.isws.illinois.edu>

Soil Moisture Deviation from Historical Average – September 22, 2023

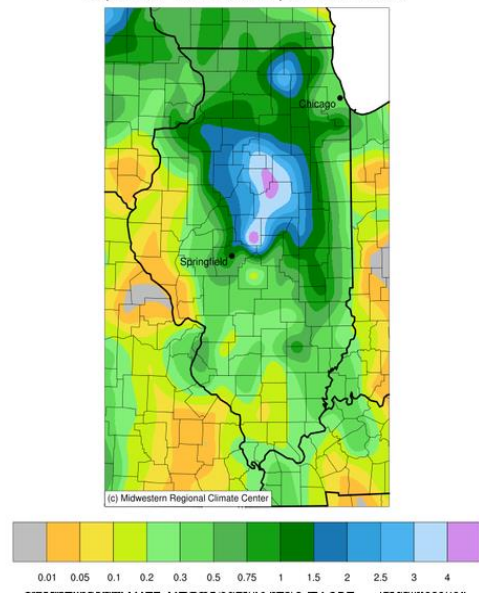


<https://cloud.csiss.gmu.edu/Crop-CASMA/>
(historical average includes 2018-2022)

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals
September 18, 2023 to September 24, 2023



Accumulated Precipitation (in)
September 18, 2023 to September 24, 2023



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